

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, please replace line 1 with the following:

~~IMPROVED POLYMER EXPANSION FOR OIL AND GAS RECOVERY FROM~~ SUBTERRANEAN FORMATIONS

On page 1, please replace paragraph [0001] with the following:

[0001] This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/784,695, filed February 15, 2001; which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/454,687, filed December 3, 1999, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,383,990 B1; which was a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/191,336, filed on November 13, 1998, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,017,855, which was a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/864,007, filed May 27, 1997, now abandoned. All of the above-referenced applications are incorporated herein by reference.

On page 1, please delete paragraphs [0002] through [0003] (lines 10-15).